OES Independent Support Services RFP, #200804210 Procurement Questions Questions from Debra Halm, Spectrum Generations May 28, 2008

- Is there certification or training required for the Homemaker staff?

 Training is authorized by the homemaker provider. There is no certification required.
- Is there a prescribed set of topics and or hours required for orientation of Homemaker staff?
- If the copayments are not collected, are they absorbed by the organization (subtracted from reimbursement payments)?

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- What is the anticipated timeframe between submitting bills to the state and the receipt of payment?
 - We anticipate it will be no more than three weeks after the invoice is submitted (due the first of the month).
- Regarding the 15% saved for APS services, are there situations when a provider can refuse to staff an APS referral due to Homemaker staff's perception of their personal health or safety?
 - If there is a question of personal health or safety, this should be brought to the attention of the Office of Elder Services for discussion with the appropriate APS staff.
- What does OES consider to be the highest priorities for serving waiting list consumers who have already been found eligible for the service?

 Per OES Policy Section 69.06 (B)(3), consumers will be served on a first come first served basis.